GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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CONSTRUCTION OF HOTEL AND SHOPS IN DIGHA COASTAL ZONE
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the construction of large number of hotels and shops with in Digha Coastal Zone in West Bengal in utter violation of Government guideline that no construction is allowed with in 500 metres of the high water-line;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government is going to take up the matter with the State Government; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI)

(a) to (d): Construction of some hotels and shops/stalls in the Coastal Regulation Zone in Digha in violation ofthe provisions of the Coastal Regulation Zone Notification, 1991 has been reported.Government of West Bengal has initiated steps against these unauthorised constructions in Coastal Regulation Zone inDigha. The steps include issue of demolition notices to illegal hotels and action to remove unauthorised shops/stalls.